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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated October 30, 2007 in which claims 1-16 were subjected to restriction. The applicant elects to prosecute **Group I** (i.e., claims 1-7 drawn to a transgenic animal model comprising a regucalcin gene, which is overexpressed) and further elects **“at the stage of senility, exhibiting symptoms of hyperlipemia and/or hyperalbuminemia” as the species**. Entry and consideration of the amendments are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.